

# **OTCnet Release 1.5**

**Information Session** 

March 20, 2014





# Introduction





# Welcome

Time	Agenda Item	Team	Presenters		
1:30 pm — 1:35 pm	Information Session Kick Off	U.S Treasury, Bureau of the Fiscal Service	Reginald P. McKinney		
1:35 pm — 1:50 pm	Release 1.5 Overview	Requirements Team	Puja Thaker		
1:50 pm — 2:15 pm	Historical Reporting Demonstration & Hardware Overview	Training Team	Zeleste Agosto Henry		
2:15 pm — 2:30 pm	Future Releases and Q&A Session	Requirements Team	Puja Thaker and Bonnie Peters		





# **Release 1.5 Overview**



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Fiscal Service has identified two top priority projects, Straight Through Processing (STP) and Archiving and Architecture, to enhance the Over the Counter Channel (OTCnet) application. To ensure OTCnet can continue to support agencies' short-term and long-term needs, these two priorities will be implemented in two different phases in OTCnet.

In June 2014, Release 1.5 will be made available and offer the first phase of the STP feature, an Archive and Architecture function, and additional benefits that will help agencies utilize the OTCnet application more efficiently. The following will be made available in Release 1.5:

- 1. STP Different Routing Numbers for Non-Appropriated Funds Channel
- 2. Voucher Date Changes and Reports Updates
- 3. Close Batch and Approve Batch Screen Updates
- 4. Batch List Report Issue Resolved and Updated Look and Feel
- 5. CIRA CSV Historical Report (Archive) Function
- 6. Panini I: Deal and EC9000 Scanners





## **Straight Through Processing (STP)**

Straight Through Processing (STP) will improve the efficiency and management of funds sent to the Treasury's General Account (TGA). As part of STP, OTCnet will process Non-Appropriated Funds (NAF) transactions separately from regular check transactions through separate Bank Routing Numbers (RTNs).

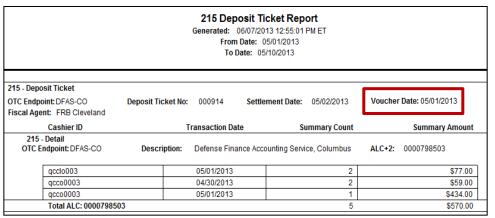
- Debit Gateway has split OTCnet into 2 distinct processing Channels
   OTCnet settles at the Treasury General Account (TGA)
   OTCnet Non-Appropriated Funds (NAF) does NOT settle at the TGA
- 2. OTCnet NAF is made up of three agencies: AAFES, Air Force and Holocaust Museum

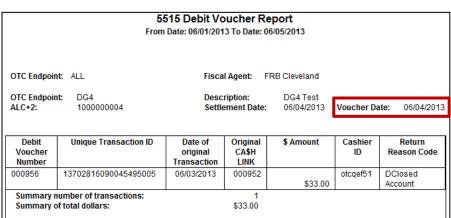




#### **Voucher Date Changes and Reports Updates**

In Release 1.5, the Voucher Date will be added to both the 215 Deposit Ticket Report (Credit Voucher) and the 5515 Debit Voucher Report. OTCnet will also change how it defines the Voucher Date in the 215 Deposit Ticket to ensure agencies' crediting practices are in compliance with the Treasury Financial Manual (TFM).





215 Deposit Ticket									
<b>Current Voucher Date Definition</b>	Release 1.5 Voucher Date Definition	Agencies' Benefit							
The date that credit for the transaction is received from the payment system, also known as the Settlement Date.  This is the banking day after the transaction is received by the Debit Gateway from OTCnet.	The business processing day the transaction is received by the Debit Gateway from OTCnet.	There will be no impact within OTCnet. Agencies will still be able to see the SF 215 report the next day in OTCnet and CIR.							



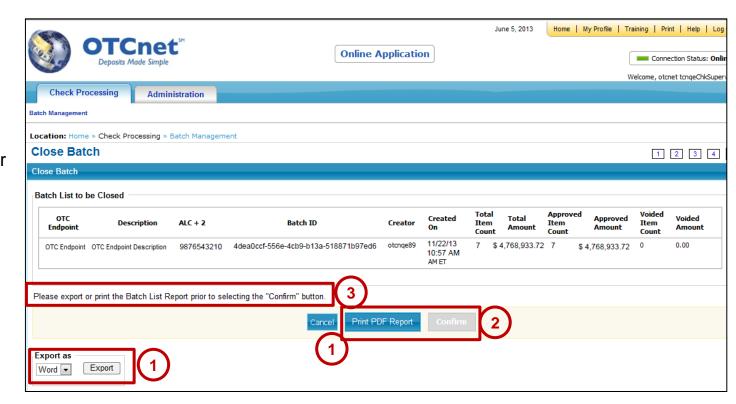


### **Close Batch and Approve Batch Screen Updates**

The Close Batch and Approve Batch screens have been updated to address agencies' needs and feedback.

For both the Close Batch screen and the Approve Batch screen:

- The Confirm button will be disabled until the user has selected either Export or Print PDF Report.
- The Print PDF Report button has been moved to better reflect the sequence of events.





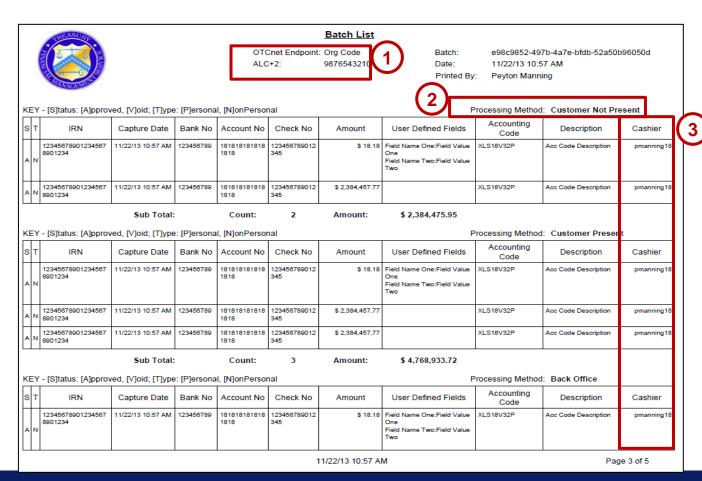


#### **Batch List Report – Issue Resolved**

The Batch List Report will be generated under a new report software that allows batch list reports to populate and print consistently, resolving the current issue where the batch list does not populate or is unable to print.

The Cashier ID will also be added to each check item, so that agencies will be able to identify the individual that processed the check for audit purposes.

Some fields have been reallocated on the screen to better display the information.



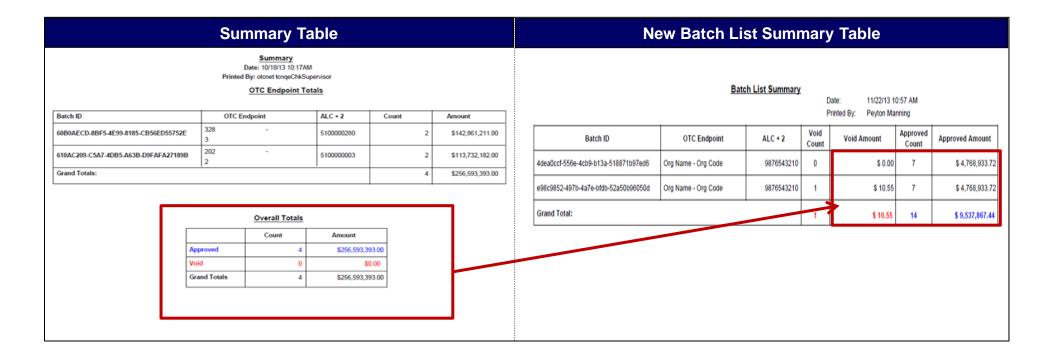




### **Batch List Report – Updated Look and Feel**

The Summary table has been updated to consolidate the OTC Endpoint and Overall Total tables into one Batch List Summary table. This will allow users to access transaction information more efficiently.

Please note that the Count, Amount for Approved, and Void items have been included in the Batch List Summary.





### **Check Processing Archive and Historical Reports**

In Release 1.5, OTCnet will begin archiving check transaction data to a historical database to help users search and generate reports more efficiently. The CIRA CSV Historical Report is part of phase one of the Archiving and Architecture project in OTCnet.

Historical reports are used to query check records that are associated with batches that have a Received Date older than 18 months from the current system date, while using other functions of OTCnet simultaneously.

The new Historical Reporting feature allows users to:

- a) Retrieve up to one month of historical data in one report
- b) Pull the report in the CSV format like the current CIRA CSV Report
- Access Previously Generated Reports, which are retained for seven days
- d) Continue to use OTCnet after a user has submitted a report's request



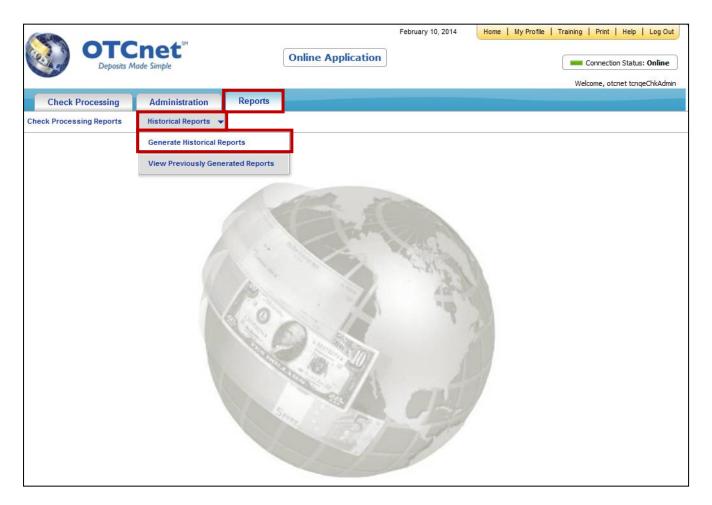


# **Demonstration: Generate and View a Historical Report**



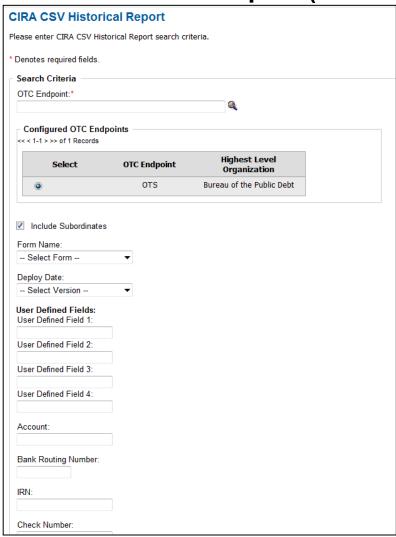


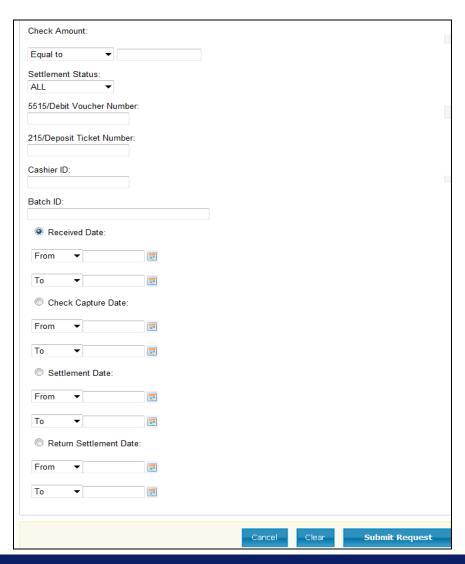
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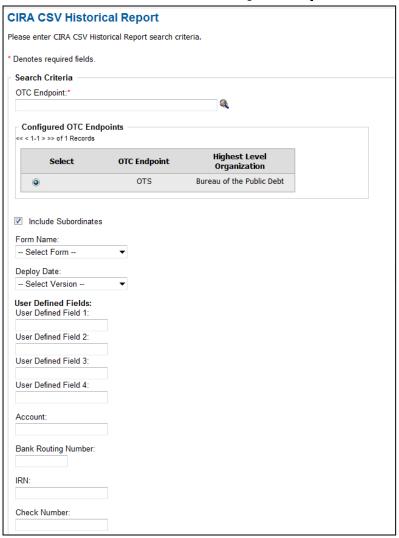
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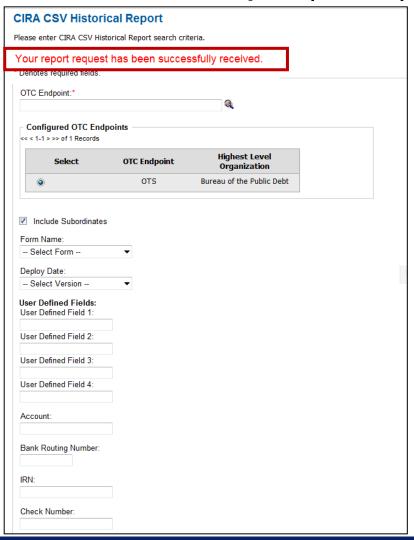


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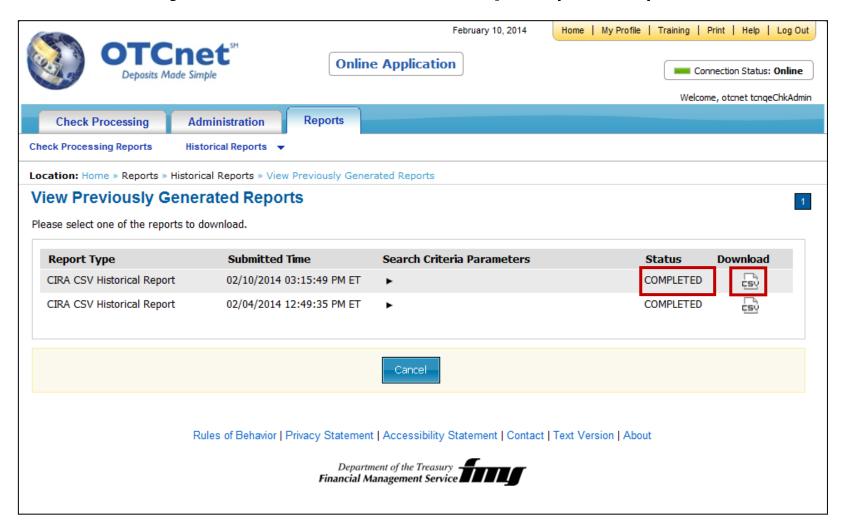


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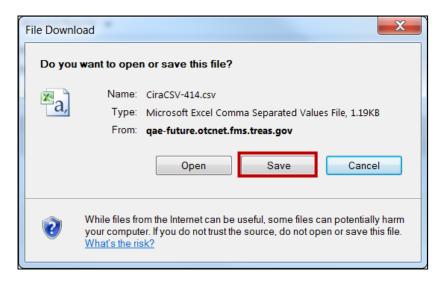


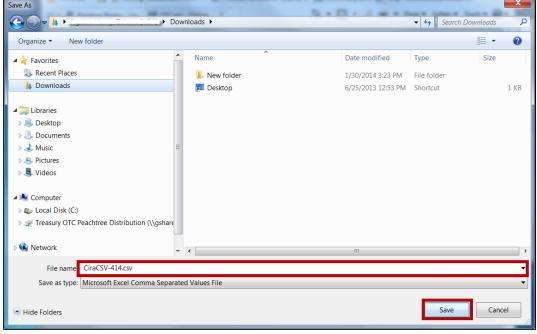
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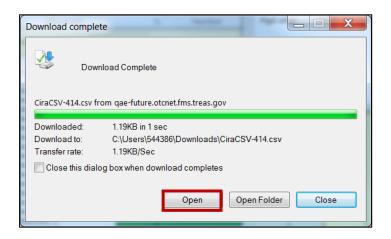
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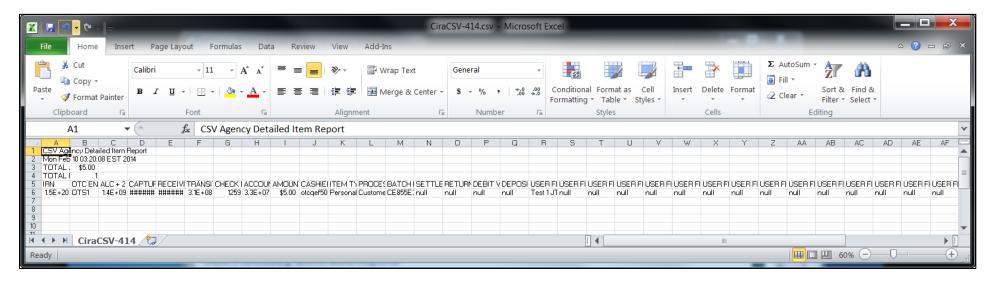






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# **Hardware Overview**



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Panini I:Deal	Single Check Feed Scanner	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>			N/A	Sold Separately <sup>2</sup>	1 year	\$294
Panini VisionX	Multiple Check Feed Scanner	✓	<b>√</b>			X50: 50 X75: 75 X100: 100	N/A	1 year	X50: \$782 X75: \$962 X100: \$1,142

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### Ingenico Keypad



OTCnet supports the use of the Ingenico i3050 keypad. While not a required piece of equipment, the Ingenico keypad could improve your agency's accountability at point-of-sale locations. The keypad allows your customers (check writers) to validate the transaction amount before your cashier saves it to the OTCnet database for settlement.

The Ingenico i3050 keypad sells for \$268.75 and features a 128 x 64 pixel backlit screen, has a small footprint to optimize counter space, and requires a serial port (RS 232) for direct connection to your computer. This keypad can also connect via Pass-Through mode if your scanner is equipped with an AUX communication port. To order this keypad, complete an Interagency Agreement (IPAC) form as detailed on the next slide.



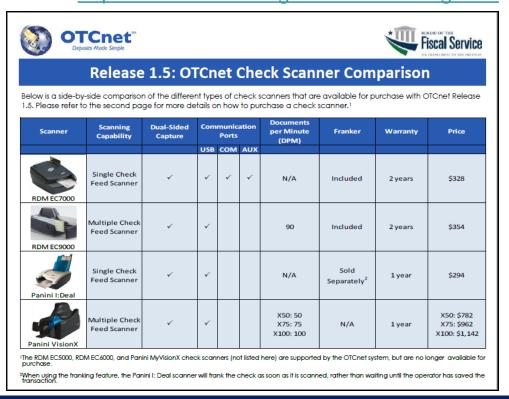
### **Purchasing OTCnet Hardware**

- 1. Complete an Interagency Agreement (IPAC) form to transfer funding for hardware from your agency to Treasury/Fiscal Service, and have the OTC Deployment Team purchase the hardware on your behalf. Please let the OTCnet Deployment Team know if you would like to order via IPAC and they will send you a quote along with additional instructions for completing the form. Once the IPAC is approved by Fiscal Service, the hardware will be shipped via overnight shipping. Note that shipping is free with this option.
- 2. To place an order for immediate shipment, use your agency purchase card to purchase the hardware directly from the vendor. Please note that you will be charged for shipping if you order from the vendor. To purchase through this method, the OTCnet Deployment Team will provide your organization with forms for the two commonly-used vendors: RDM and Bankers Exchange. Their information is also below.
  - a. RDM POC: Stacy Carson / 1-800-567-6227 x345 / scarson@rdmcorp.com
  - b. Bankers Exchange POC: Birch Harrison / 1-888-749-6396 x122 / birch.harrison@bankersx.com



#### Resources

- ▶ For more information on Release 1.5, please reference the *Release 1.5: OTCnet Check Scanner* Comparison document and Release 1.5: Historical Reporting Fact Sheet
- ▶ If you would like to learn more about other OTCnet functions, please visit the OTCnet training website at: http://www.fms.treas.gov/otcnet/training.html







# **Future Releases**



#### **Future Releases: Release 2.0 Overview**

In Spring 2015, OTCnet Release 2.0 will be made available and will introduce new features into the OTCnet system that will better support agencies' needs. The changes include the following:

- 1. The current account classification functionality for single check items will be expanded to batch level. Agencies will have the flexibility to report account classification either at check/detail level or at batch/summary level with multiple Classification Keys (C-Keys).
- 2. OTCnet will start processing Adjustment, Correction, or Reversal transactions (ACR transactions) from Debit Gateway. The CIRA Query and OTCnet Reports will allow users to search ACR transactions.
- 3. A new Default Accounting Code function will allow users to assign a default accounting code to an OTC Endpoint. This default accounting code will be used for reporting classification amount at the batch level when there is a return or a failed item within a batch to Collection Information Repository (CIR). In addition, the default accounting codes will be assigned to check items and vouchers when there is an ALC correction scenario.
- 4. A new administrative feature will allow agencies to add, edit, or remove Agency comments that are associated with a voucher that is sent to CIR.



# **Questions?**

